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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS:

William J. Curatolo, et al. : Group Art Unit: 1615
Examiner: B. M. Fubara

PATENT NO.: 09/918,127 :

FOR: **Pharmaceutical Compositions of
Cholesteryl Ester Transfer Protein Inhibitor :**

FILED: **July 30, 2001**

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED July 28, 2005

This is in response to the non-final Official Action dated July 28, 2005 in the above-identified application, the term for response having been extended one (1) month by including the appropriate fee and petition herewith.

A complete listing of all claims currently under consideration, including the status of each claim, is attached.

REMARKS

The undersigned attorney wishes to thank Examiners Fubara and Gollamudi for the courteous and helpful interview conducted on October 11, 2005. Although no agreement was reached, the Examiners did make suggestions for advancing the prosecution of this application, and the claims have been amended to reflect the suggestions.

Claims 1-8, 10, 18, and 35-100 are pending. Claims 9, 11-16, 17 and 19-34 have been canceled.

Each of independent claims 1-4 has been amended by incorporating claims 9 and 17 therein, the latter two claims now having been canceled. Claims 1-4 now reflect